



BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
374 KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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JAMES BARGER
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SARA VASQUEZ
COMMISSIONER

August 27, 2008 MEETING

374 HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

Commissioners Present

Steven Afriat, President
Renée Campbell, Vice President
Diana Wood, Secretary
James Barger, Commissioner

County Representatives

Barbara Goul, Principal Deputy County Counsel
Joseph Dangerfield, Treasurer and Tax Collector
Ben Garcia, Sheriffs Department

Absent Commissioners

Sara Vasquez, Commissioner

Commission Services Staff

Nyla Jefferson
Rhonda Rangel

Guests

Marcia Hanscom
James Tuohy
Kelly Chippendale
Jose Luis Gonzalez Zuniga
Xiu Zhen Zhang
Zhi Lang
William Alton

CALL TO ORDER

President Afriat called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

The minutes were trailed to the end of the meeting.

**RECCOMENDATION TO EXCUSE COMMISSIONER SARA VASQUEZ FROM
COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 5.12.050 OF THE LOS
ANGELES COUNTY CODE , AS IT RELATES TO ATTENDANCE, UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE.**

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved to excuse Commissioner Vasquez
as stated above.

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

PUBLIC HEARING

Application for Issuance of Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit

Marcia Hanscom
Ballona Institute/International Humanities Center
322 Culver Boulevard, Suite 317
Playa Del Rey (Second District)

Marcia Hanscom provided a brief background on the organization. The organization provides education and advocacy for the greater Ballona Wetlands area. They offer nature tours, library archives, historical and scientific data. The organization will be doing a series of celebration events honoring the community members that helped saved more than 600 acres of the Ballona Wetlands. There are eight members on the Board of Directors and two signatures are required on all check issued over \$500 by the organization. There is a Fiscal Office that handles all accounting for the organization and a management team that makes all financial decisions that are approved by the Fiscal Office.

ACTION TAKEN: **The Commission approved the issuance of the Information Card.**

Motion: **Vice President Campbell, seconded by President Afriat**

Vote: **Unanimously carried**

ACTION TAKEN: **The Commission approved the application for Notice of Intention to Solicit.**

Motion: **Vice President Campbell, seconded by Secretary Wood**

Vote: **Unanimously carried**

Application for Issuance of Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit

James Tuohy
The Tumor Humor Fund
P.O. Box 20912
New York, NY

Kelly Chippendale, President and James Tuohy, Vice President, provided a brief background on the organization. There are seven Board Members in New York and they are now working in the West Coast. Two signatures are required on all checks issued by the organization. They put on a play to market awareness and the proceeds help children survivors of cancer and their family. The play will be touring nursing and convalescent homes in Southern California. All financial decisions are made through the Board and Advisory Council.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the issuance of the Information Card.

Motion: Secretary Wood, Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the application for Notice of Intention to Solicit.

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Wood

Vote: Unanimously carried

Application for Entertainment-General Business License, ID#135024

Jose Luis Gonzalez Zuniga
49er Bar & Grill
J.L. Zuniga Inc.
31908 Crown Valley Road
Acton (Fifth District)

Joseph Dangerfield, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Department, reported that the applicant has obtained all the necessary approvals from County Departments and there are no concerns or complaints from the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Zuniga, via his interpreter, gave a brief background on the business. The business is a steakhouse/restaurant, once or twice a month a live band plays after dinner, and there is no dancing. The restaurant seat 95 people. There is no stage or dressing room and no issues regarding noise.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved the above application for with the following conditions:

- Abide by all terms in the Department of Regional Planning Conditional Use Permit.
- Abide by all terms from the Acton Town Council.
- Waive the dressing room and stage requirements

Motion: Commissioner Barger, seconded by Vice President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

Recommendation to Deny Renewal of Massage Technician Business License,
ID#131632

Xiu Zhen Zhang
6513 Whittier Boulevard
El Monte (First District)

Joseph Dangerfield, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Department, reported that because of an investigation, the Sheriff's Department contacted Treasurer and Tax Collector's office to object the renewal of the license mentioned above. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department, stated that on July 1, 2008, after a routine inspection at 3866 E. Colorado Street, Pasadena, it was discovered that Xiu Zhen Zhang did not have a Massage Technician License that would allow her to work at the Pasadena address. During their routine inspection, her documentation was confiscated. Ben Garcia, Sheriff's Department, explained to Ms. Zhan, that if she could provide verification of a legal licensed work location then her license could be reissued. President Afriat stated to Ms. Zhang, that she could only work as a massage technician at the address listed on her license. A list of legal massage parlor locations in unincorporated Los Angeles County is available through the Treasurer and Tax Collectors office.

(Vice President Campbell left the meeting at 9:52 a.m.)

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission approved to refer the item back to the Treasurer and Tax Collectors office.

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Commissioner Barger

Vote: Unanimously carried

MINUTES

ACTION TAKEN: MINUTES of August 6, 2008

Motion: President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Wood

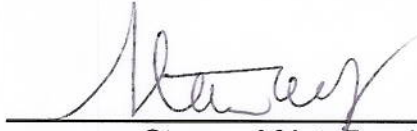
Vote: Unanimously Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS: The Commission will be dark on September 10 & 17, 2008.

MATTERS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA TO BE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA:

ADJOURNMENT: The Commission adjourned at 11:13 a.m.



Steven Afriat, President